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The Honorable Dick Cheney House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Dick:

I have been following at a distance your travails in recent weeks. Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you for a quick recovery.

Just to show my confidence that you will be "back in battery" soon, I hear all kinds of rumors about possible changes in your status in the House. Speaking personally, I hope that whatever changes occur, it will be possible for you to remain a member of the House Intelligence Committee. You are a highly constructive and well-informed member, and I very much enjoy working with you.

Again, we look forward to seeing you back on your feet just as soon as possible.

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Regards,

Robert M. Gates

Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

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